



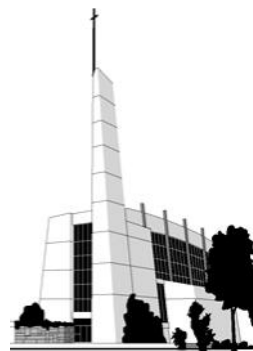
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June 2021

Father's Day Sunday, June 20th

We will resume regular worship services on Sunday, June 20th! Masks are still required for everyone over age 2 and social distancing will be observed, however since we can now be at 50% capacity it will be 3 ft. instead of 6 ft. Because the Conference recommends that you continue to worship at home if you are not fully vaccinated and some are not ready to attend large gatherings, we will continue to have online worship services available. We will also be able to have coffee after worship as long as one gloved person fills the cups. If you are interested in being one of the persons doing this, please contact Sue Spangler, (714) 273-9247. Thanks to Norberto we will have Special Music each Sunday through the Summer like we usually do and in the fall we plan to have the choir return.



Community Contribution Program

For many years our choir sold scrip to our members to use when they shopped at various supermarkets. That program has been closed for some time. There is now a new way to support Garden Grove U.M.C. You can sign up for Ralph's Community Contributions and contribute monetarily to our church – and it's free for you. All you have to do is follow the directions below. If you do not have a computer or are unsure about using it, see Linda Shepard for assistance.

Go to Ralphs.com.

If you have already signed up to be a member, sign in to "Your Account."

If you are not a member, you can sign-up to be one.


Go to the heading that says "Community Contributions." Fill out the form. You can look through the pages that list organizations alphabetically for our church: Garden Grove United Methodist Church and click on it.

That's it! An easy way to contribute a little extra to our church without costing anything except a little time.



Anne Gall is going to be 100 years young on Friday, July 2nd! They are having a party to celebrate on Saturday, July 3rd! Anyone who lives or will be visiting the area is invited to come (she didn't give me time or place), Let's all plan on calling or sending Anne a birthday greeting! Anne's address is 3849 Rolland

Dr., Cottenwood, CA 96022 and her mobile # is (714) 287-2318.




Garden Grove United Methodist Church is looking for an administrative assistant/office manager to manage the church office and assist the staff. This person will be the face of the church in the front office and should be warm and welcoming, while demonstrating strong office skills and facility with a variety of technology. Hours and salary are negotiable. Please send resumes to SPCR Chair, Sue Spangler at sjspangler@aol.com.



It has been a long time since our last UMW meeting. Plans are to start with a social in August with a box lunch from Jay's Catering. Regular meetings will begin in September if all goes well.



Blessing Bags Project

Complete List of Items

gallon size Ziploc bags, peanuts, small water bottle or juice box, Band-Aids, cheese sticks or cheese/crackers, granola bars, toothbrush/toothpaste/dental floss, small tissue packages, small bars of soap, candy/mints, deodorant, hand sanitizer

Congregations Coordinating Council (CCC) has sponsored the **Blessing Bags Project** since 2016. With the church closure during the 2020-21 Covid-19 pandemic, the items for homeless needing food and toiletry items were not used.

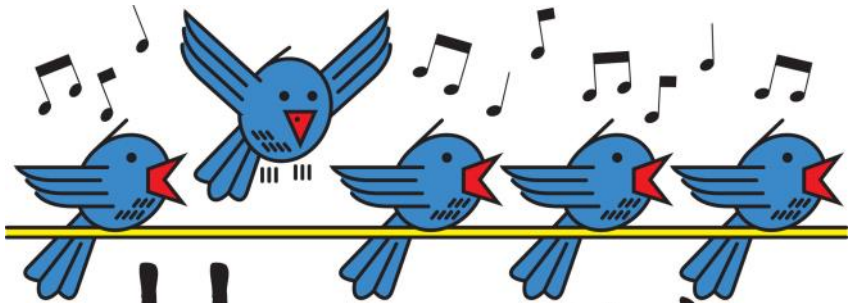
With the anticipated opening of the church office on June 1, we would like to make Blessing Bags available again to those in need. If you would like to participate by donating items (see list below) or cash to help purchase items, please leave items in the church office between the hours of 9:30 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. weekdays beginning Tuesday, June 1st or Sundays beginning, June 20th !

You may bring Ziploc bags already filled with the above items, or bring any/all of the items for our faithful volunteer, Crystal Collino, to use in filling bags. We are currently mostly in need of snack food, water bottles & toothpaste. Questions? Please email Crystal at cycollino@gmail.com or Jackie Pringle at jackieg@verizon.net





Sue Spangler and Sally Hickman are again making Jam for UMW. The money raised will be used to help our unit of UMW pay our pledge for the year. Sally has made Lemon/Orange Marmalade and Sue makes the Pomegranate Jam. The price is \$5 per jar. If you are interested in buying some please call Sue or Sally and let them know. The Raspberry/Fig jam will not be made until the figs come into season in August or September.



Add your voice

Come one, Come All!

Chancel Choir tentatively plans to resume meeting on Thursday, September 9th, at 7:00 p.m. in the Choir Room. There is no reading of music requirement and no auditions! We gather each Thursday at 7:00 p.m. to enjoy the fellowship and the music that we are learning so we can share it on Sunday mornings. We hope that you will come and give this opportunity a try. If you have any questions you can call Jonni Lorenz (714- 638-4640) or Sally Hickman (714-839-0120).



Kids will be headed back to school in August so our wonderful Youth and Children's Choirs will begin rehearsing in September (See dates below)!!

YOUTH choir

Sonshine Singers (grades 7-12) will resume meeting on Thursdays at 4:30 p.m. in our choir room on September 9th. This choir sings in church once a month and participates in other musical events. If you have been thinking of trying this group . . . NOW is the time to do it. If you have any questions please call Sally Hickman (714-839-0120 or cell: 714-376-8391). I hope to see you soon!

Cherub / Chorister Choir (age 5 - grade 6) will resume meeting on Tuesdays at 4:00 p.m. in the choir room on September 28th. This is always a busy group. We learn songs to sing in church, songs for fun and special songs for the Choir Christmas Dinner. I hope you will have your children come join us as we learn how to praise God through music. If you have any questions please call Sally Hickman at 714-839-0120 or cell 714-376-8391.



See you soon.

THE RUNNING RACE

Summer Reading Plan

Loving and following Jesus is like being a runner, the Bible says. And a special "prize" waits at the end of the race! When you're tired or your faith feels weak, trust Jesus to give you strength.

With this Summer Reading Plan, you can complete a box every day or every other day. Read the Scripture and complete each activity to grow closer to Jesus. When you reach the finish line, start over for more practice. Invite a friend or family member to "run" with you!

START

<p>1 Corinthians 9:24-26 Run in place as long as you can. Think of ways you "run" for Jesus.</p>				<p>Revelation 22:20 Pray, "Come, Lord Jesus!"</p>
<p>Deuteronomy 31:1-8 (focus on vs. 6) How does it feel to know God always runs with you?</p>	<p>Matthew 18:10-14 Think of a time you "wandered off" — and how Jesus found you.</p>	<p>Matthew 24:13 Write the verse with sidewalk chalk. "Stand firm" by it and say it aloud.</p>	<p>Luke 15:11-32 (or a book about it) Why did the son run away? What makes his father run?</p>	<p>2 John 8 Play Tag, then "reward" yourself with a cold drink or treat.</p>
<p>Hebrews 12:1-3 Find out what "perseverance" means. Why do runners need that?</p>	<p>Psalm 119:32 Why do we need to follow rules — and God's commands?</p>			<p>2 Timothy 4:7 Draw or make a finish line and run through it.</p>
<p>Jeremiah 10:23 Pray that God always directs your steps.</p>	<p>1 Peter 2:21 Play Follow the Leader with friends & family.</p>	<p>John 20:1-10 Act out Easter morning, with runners sharing the good news.</p>	<p>Acts 8:26-40 Why did Philip run? How do you share Jesus with others?</p>	<p>2 Corinthians 12:9-10 Show muscles and say, "When I'm weak, I am strong."</p>
<p>Proverbs 3:5-6 Run backward, then in circles, then with eyes closed. Why are "straight paths" simpler?</p>	<p>Isaiah 41:10 Make a paper baton. Practice relay handoffs & discuss God's helpful hand.</p>	<p>Jonah chapter 1 (or a book about Jonah) What happens when Jonah runs from God?</p>	<p>Galatians 5:7 Make an obstacle course. What gets in the way of faith?</p>	<p>Philippians 3:13-14 Make a sign that reads "Press on!"</p>
<p>Psalm 18:32 Memorize this verse.</p>				<p>James 1:12 Brainstorm ways to support and cheer other runners.</p>
<p>Great JOB!</p>	<p>2 Timothy 2:5 Make a crown to remember your victory in Jesus.</p>	<p>2 Timothy 2:5 Make a crown to remember your victory in Jesus.</p>	<p>1 Timothy 4:8 Do jumping jacks, stretches and physical training.</p>	<p>Hebrews 10:36 Talk about the promises God keeps to us.</p>
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FINISH				

RUNNING the RACE

SUMMER Reading Plan

Life – and exercise – move at different paces for different people.

Some enjoy leisurely walks, strolls or rolls, while others speed-walk, jog or even sprint. Some people have a 26.2 sticker on their vehicle, indicating they've run a marathon, while others boast of running a half-marathon (13.1) or no marathon (0.0)!

Thankfully, you don't have to be an athlete of any kind to run the Christian "race." The Bible uses running metaphors, however, to encourage followers of Jesus to train, focus, persevere and attain the heavenly prize. Use this Summer Reading Plan to strengthen your faith and your relationship with Jesus. Complete one square each day or every other day, and you'll journey through significant chunks of the New Testament this summer. Feel free to invite a friend or family member to join you as a "running partner"!



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Mile 1 Read Philippians 1
Re-read verse 6 and consider how your faith journey is a work in progress.

Mile 3 Read Philippians 3
Look back at verses 13 and 14, and brainstorm a list of ways to keep your eyes on the heavenly "prize."

Mile 5 Read Colossians 1
Re-read verse 11. Name three specific ways God gives you strength and endurance.

Mile 7 Read Colossians 3
Look back at verses 23 and 24. What keeps you running for God, not for other people or for personal accolades?

Mile 9 Read 1 Timothy 1
Doodle about how God's law keeps you from wandering away from him.

Mile 11 Read 1 Timothy 3
What aspects of staying "above reproach" are most challenging for you as a follower of Jesus?

Mile 13 Read 1 Timothy 5
Anonymously perform a kind deed for someone in your family or community.

Mile 15 Read 2 Timothy 1
Describe specific ways your life reveals a spirit of power, a spirit of love and a spirit of self-discipline.

Mile 17 Read 2 Timothy 3
Add a daily Bible-reading time to your spiritual training regimen.

Mile 19 Read James 1
Look back at verse 12. Reflect on how God has kept his promises to you. How does that help you during times of trial?

Mile 21 Read James 3
Re-read verses 17 and 18. Pray for godly wisdom as you continue your faith journey.

Mile 23 Read James 5
After re-reading verse 19, think of ways to reach out to people who have wandered away from God.

Mile 25 Read John 20:1-18
Consider how the good news of Jesus' resurrection gives you reasons to run and share the Gospel message.

Mile 26.2 Read Revelation 2:10 Praise God aloud: "Come, Lord Jesus!"

➔ **Mile 2 Read Philippians 2**
Re-read verse 5 and pray to have the same attitude as Jesus.

Mile 4 Read Philippians 4
Write verse 13 on a sticky note and place it where you'll see it daily.

Mile 6 Read Colossians 2
Review verses 6 and 7, make a gratitude list and say a prayer of thanks to God.

Mile 8 Read Colossians 4
Write a note or letter to someone who needs spiritual encouragement.

Mile 10 Read 1 Timothy 2
Re-read verses 5 and 6. Offer praise to Jesus for being our mediator and ransom — and for running the race perfectly for us.

Mile 12 Read 1 Timothy 4
As you exercise, ponder verse 8 and brainstorm ways to build your spiritual muscles.

Mile 14 Read 1 Timothy 6
Review verses 11 and 12. In what ways might faith be viewed as a fight? To whom have you made bold profession of your faith?

Mile 16 Read 2 Timothy 2
Re-read verse 5. The next time you participate in or watch a sporting event, compare the value of God's "victor's crown" to earthly achievements.

Mile 18 Read 2 Timothy 4
Memorize verse 7. Think about people you know who have already "finished the race." How can their example strengthen you?

Mile 20 Read James 2
Put your faith into action today by meeting someone's needs.

Mile 22 Read James 4
Review verse 8. Confess your sins to God and ask him to come near you.

Mile 24 Read Luke 15:11-32
When have you run away from God? What brought you back? When have you seen proof of God running toward you (see verse 20, as well as James 4:8)?

➔ **Mile 26 Read 1 John 1**
Re-read verse 7. Write "Walk in the Light" on a sticky note, and place it by a lamp or light switch.



June 3rd
 Luc Dang
 Barbara Welton 🎂
June 4th
 Sheri Nash
 Robert Nease 🎂
June 6th
 Frank Kelley 🎂

June 8th
 Ann Stewart
June 12th
 Howard Dudley
 Linda Shepard
June 13th
 Evelyn Buchan
June 16th
 Rebekah Beard

June 19th
 Carla Granados
 Angelina LeDang
June 22nd
 Craig Schirmer
 Pamela Schneider
June 23rd
 Richard Walth
June 24th
 Melinda Guinaldo
 Jana Henke
June 25th
 Mary Cantu 🎂
June 26th
 Gretchen Ikerd
June 27th
 Karen Cole

June 29th
 Diane Whitford
 Mark Worthen
June 30th
 Marylou Ball



🎂 A Very Special “Happy Birthday” this month to **Barbara Welton, Robert Nease, Frank Kelley** and **Mary Cantu!** **Barbara** will be 92 on June 3rd, **Robert** will be 90 on June 4th, **Frank** will be 91 on June 6th, and **Mary** will be 94 on June 25th! If you would like to send them a special greeting, **Barbara’s** address is 12151 Dale St. Apt. C-121, Stanton, CA 90680, **Robert’s** address is 4778 E. Washington Ave., Orange, CA 92869-4124, **Frank’s** address is 1530 W. Doris Pl., Anaheim, CA 92802-2509, and **Mary’s** address is 12874 Newhope St., Garden Grove, CA 92840.



Lestonnac Free Clinic Wesley Village

The clinic is open Tuesdays 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., Fridays 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., and Saturdays 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. The phone number to call for appointments is 714-633-4600. *They have moved to the first floor of the Wesley Village Family Building on Acacia.*

Church Staff

The ministers of this Church are its members. They are assisted by:

Bishop.....Bishop Grant J. Hagiya	Missionary to CambodiaRev. Andrew Lee
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Membership Secretary.....Marylou Ball	Youth/Childrens Choir Director Sally Hickman



Please Remember These People In Your Thoughts And Prayers

Eddie Lopez, Lydia Carmona's cousin, recovering
after a stroke
Gary Palmer

John Elwell
Pat Turner
Helen Sothan
Evelyn McCart
Steve Ryder
Bud Ruhl
Gwen Anderson
David Gregory
Lilas Green



Dexter Welton died Thursday, May 13, 2021.
Services will be at a later time and we will let
you know as soon as we know. Condolences can
be sent to Barbara Welton, 12151 Dale St. C-121,
Stanton, CA 92680



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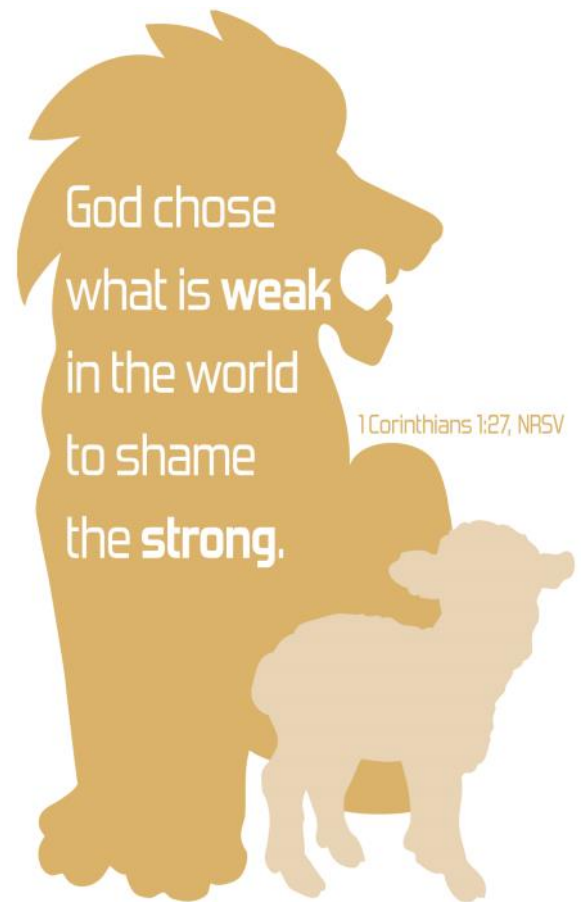
Once again, we thank you all for your continuing support.

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Tuesday, June 14th

The *Expectations* deadline for the July issue (to be mailed on Thursday, June 24th) is 12:00 noon, Tuesday, June 14th. News and Events for July and August should be in this issue. You may E-mail articles to exp@ggumc.net, bring them to the Church Office, mail them, or (if they are short) call them in, on or before the deadline.

Janine Ryder,
Former Editor